

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER  
APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM  
FISCAL YEAR 2011**

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**Project Details**

**1. Project title:**

Physical and Occupation Therapy

**2. Organization name and address (the recipient of the funds):**

Oregon Institute of Technology  
Oregon Center for Health Professions  
3201 Campus Drive  
Klamath Falls, OR 97601-8801

**3. Contact information**

- a. **Project's primary contact:** Christopher Maples, President OIT
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- d. **Project location** (if different than organization's address):  
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**4. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities.**

The Dow Center for the Health Professions (CHP) at the Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT) serves as the regional leader of undergraduate allied health education within the Pacific Northwest. OIT is a public university, a member of the Oregon University System. The CHP provides fully accredited baccalaureate degree programs in Clinical Laboratory Science, Dental Hygiene, Medical Imaging Technology, and Respiratory care. The CHP is also host to a baccalaureate degree in Health Sciences, serving as undergraduate preparation for medical, dental, veterinary, and pharmacy schools, as well as other graduate level medical programs. An associate degree in Emergency Medical Technology is also offered through the CHP.

**5. Is this organization a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity?**

OIT is a public entity.

**6. From what federal agency and account are you requesting funds (Please be specific –e.g., Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account)?**

Department of Health and Human Services – Human Resources and Services Administration

**7. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (no more than 500 words).**

Funds are requested to initiate a Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree and an Occupational Therapy graduate program at the Oregon Institute of Technology in Klamath Falls. OIT conducts extensive coursework in anatomy and physiology as a major part of preparation for students in all health-related professions, including comprehensive cadaver facilities for advanced anatomy training. Because of our medical imaging facilities, advanced anatomy laboratories, and expertise in allied health education, OIT is ideally positioned to offer programs in rehabilitative health.

**8. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?**

The funds will be used to complete a portion of the CHP, which remains unfinished, providing laboratory classrooms for Physical and Occupation Therapy. The funds provide equipment for PT and OT, and startup faculty salaries for accreditation and initial program offerings. Continuation of personnel and operational costs will be covered by revenue from the program.

Adding rehabilitative health to the current portfolio of allied health programs is an investment in the health care and economy of Oregon and the nation. Occupational therapy is one of the fastest growing sectors for the economy.

**9. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?**

No

### **Funding Details**

**10. Amount requested for this project: \$550,000**

**11. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project (e.g., salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):**

Completion of construction:	\$150,000
Basic PT/Occupational laboratory equipment:	\$35,000
Combined PT/Occupational Program Director:	\$130,000
PT faculty:	\$90,000
Occupational faculty:	\$75,000
Specialized PT instrumentation: gait analysis, pressure plate analysis, computer and image technology	\$70,000

**12. What is the total cost of the project?**

\$750,000

**13. Is this project scalable (i.e., If partial funding is awarded, will the organization still be able to use the funds in FY 2011?)?**

Yes

**14. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please be specific about funding sources and funding amounts)**

To date, the State of Oregon has contributed \$20.5 million to the Oregon Center for Health Professions and private donors have provided \$12.5 million to the CHP. The first (basement) level of the CHP has been designated for the PT classrooms. Anatomy and physiology laboratories have recently been provisioned with \$235,000 in advanced models and materials. The cadaver facility was built in Dow CHP, Wing I, at a cost of \$60,000.

**15. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project.**

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